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(*f*) whether the Government have recently received any representation from the residents' and tenants' association at Chintadripet requesting the Government to construct further tenements with adequate space for a family to move about;

(*g*) the rent collected from the occupiers of the tenements and whether the tenements will be assigned to them after certain number of years;

(*h*) if so, the period of occupation and the amount of loan to be collected; and

(*i*) whether any Harijan was occupying the Cox Cheri tenements originally constructed for the use of Harijans but subsequently let out to caste Hindus on a high rent?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" (*a*) Forty tenements have been constructed.

" (*b*) The plinth area of each tenement is 170 square feet. It consists of a veranda, a kitchen, a living room, flush-out latrine and an open court-yard.

" (*c*) The actual total cost of construction for 40 tenements is Rs. 32,000.

" (*d*) Originally, there were 71 Harijan families. Accommodation has now been given to 38 families in the same area.

" (*e*) A second block of 40 tenements is being constructed now at an estimated cost of Rs. 32,000.

" (*f*) Yes. The matter has been separately examined and given up as impracticable for want of land for providing additional accommodation.

" (*g*) A rent of Rs. 3 (three) is collected from each tenant. The tenements will not be assigned to occupants.

" (*h*) The question does not arise.

" (*i*) No."

SRI A. RATNAM :—" May I know how many Harijans were evicted from the Cox Cheri, Chintadripet, and how many of them were given alternative sites in Kodambakkam? May I also know whether the Government are aware of the whereabouts of those Harijans for whom alternative sites have not been provided? "

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" Some Harijans have gone to Kodambakkam. I do not know what has happened to other people."

French-Indian Freedom struggle.

* 1457 *Q.*—SRI K. MADHAVAN NAMBIAR : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state whether the Government have made any representation to the Government of India for the grant of any compensation to the dependents of the martyrs of French-Indian freedom struggle?

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THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" No, Sir."

SRI K. MADHAVAN NAMBIAR :—" May I know whether the Government will make representations to the Government of India in this regard? "

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" The Central Government are aware of their responsibility and I do not think we need point it out."

Railway Feeder Road for Appavunagar

* 1458 *Q.*—SRI V. BALAKRISHNAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether any petitions have been received by the Government from the residents of Appavunagar in Mambalam area for the construction of a Railway Feeder Road; and

(*b*) if so, the action taken thereon?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" (*a*) Yes.

" (*b*) After careful consideration of the petitions, the Government have decided that there is no need for the formation of the Railway Boarder Road, south of Madley Road."

SRI K. VINAYAKAM :—" If the Government could not form the Railway Border Road, at least will the Government insruct the Corporation of Madras to purchase the land required for the construction of this road and lay a road connecting it with Appavunagar Colony? "

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" The Corporation has finally proposed that the provision in the draft town-planning scheme for the formation of this road may be deleted. The draft town-planning scheme has been sent to the Commissioner, Corporation, for revision."

SRI V. BALAKRISHNAN :—" Did the benevolent Minister visit the spot before he agreed with the files? Is it a fact that the opinion of the Minister is being thwarted by rich personalities of this area? "

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" Certainly not, Sir."

Advertisement on the State Transport buses

* 1459 *Q.*—SRI A. RATNAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state—

(*a*) how many advertisements were secured by the Transport department and how many advertisement boards were exhibited in State Transport buses in 1954;

(*b*) the rate and conditions of the advertisement in the State Transport;

(*c*) the amount collected towards the exhibition of these boards?